GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4141
ANSWERED ON:18.08.2000
LOSSES TO TOURISM INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the tourism industry has registered heavy losses during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have formulated any policy to promote tourism in the country, especially in Rajasthan ; and

(d) if so, the details of tourist spots for which funds have been provided / proposed to be provided to Rajasthan, especially for Jaisalmer district ?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR)

(a)&(b): The tourist traffic to India is on the increase for the last three years, thus benefiting the Tourism Industry in the country. The estimated Foreign Exchange Earnings from tourism for the last three years also show a positive growth of the tourism Industry.The details of the Foreign Exchange Earnings from tourism are given below:

(Rs. in crores)

1997	1998	1999
10,725.64	11,950.78	13,041.81

(c)&(d): The Draft Tourism Policy envisages promotion of tourism in the country. The development of tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State/UT governments, however, Central Department of Tourism extends Central Financial Assistance to specific tourism projects in consultation with State/UT governments. 49 tourism projects in Rajasthan amounting to Rs. 712.03 lakhs have been sanctioned during the last three years of the 9th Plan (in progress) and out of which 4 tourism projects amounting to Rs. 50.37 Lakhs are located in Jaisalmer District of Rajasthan. List enclosed in Annexure.

ANNEXURE IN RESPECT OF PART (c) & (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4141 ANSWERED ON 18.8.2(REGARDING LOSSES TO TOURISM INDUSTRY

PROJECTS/SCHEMES SANCTIONED TO THE STATE OF RAJASTHAN UNDER CENTRAL FINANCIAL SCHEME

(Rupees in Lakhs)

S.NO.	Name of Project	Amount Sanctioned
	YEAR 1997-98	
1.	Upgradation of Castle Jhoomar Baori, Sawai Madhopur	23.35

2. Wayside facilities at Mangalwar 21.31

3. Refurbishment of Deeg Fort, Bharatpur 3.20

4. Refurbishment of Sunehri Kothi, Tonk 4.00

5. Refurbishment of Rani Ka Mahal, Jaisalmer Fort 9.20
6. Conservation and Refurbishment of Palace Complex, Amer 13.30

7 Refurbishment of Nahargarh Fort, Jaipur 14.00

8. Fortification Wall of Jaisalmer Fort 12.97

9. Upgradation of facilities on Palace on Wheels 28.00
10. Bikaner Fetival 1.00
11. Nagaur Fair 1.00
12. Desert Festival 2.00
13. Bundi Festival 1.00
14. Marwar Festival 1.00

TOTAL FOR THE YEAR 1997-98 135.33

(A) 135.33

YEAR 1998-99

1. Integrated development of Place of Pilgrimage- Pushkar Ghats 51.65

2. Integrated Development of Important Tourist Place in Hadoti Region 82.00
(Bundi and near Kota)

3. Integrated Development of Vishram Sthali on Pushkar Road,Ajmer 46.70

4. Upgradation of Shikhar Tourist Bungalow, Mt. Abu 25.00

5. Upgradation of Tourist Bungalow, Sariska 18.00
6. Upgradation of Tourist Bungalow at Gangaur, Jaipur 15.00

7 Upgradation of Tourist Bungalow, Khadim, Ajmer 5.00

8. Upgradation ofTourist Bungalow at Jodhpur 25.00

9. Upgradation of Lake Palace Hotel at Siliserh, Distt. Alwar 17.65
10. Upgradation of Tourist Bungalow at Kajri, Udaipur 25.00
11. Upgradation of Midway at Behror, Distt. Alwar 13.55
12. Upgradation of Moomal Tourist Bungalow, Jaisalmer 25.00
13. General Toilets and Development of Lawns at Museum, Pali 3.20
14. Toilet facilities and Landscaping including water supply arrangements 3.20
at Mughal Gate, Virat Nagar
15. Project of General Toilets and development works including water 3.20
supply arrangements at Chandrawati, Jaipur
16. General Toilets facilities including water supply arrangements and 3.20
development of lawns at Museum, Jaisalmer
17. General Toilets and development of lawns at Museum at Kota 3.20
18. General Toilets and Landscaping Works at Museum, Bharatpur 7.72
19. Project of General Toilets and development works at Museum, Mandore 3.20
20. SEL Show at Amer, Jaipur 54.00
21. Shilpgram Utsav 2.50
22. General Toilets and development of Lawns at Akbar Ka Qila, Ajmer 3.31
23. Refurbishment of Rani Ka Mahal 9.20

TOTAL FOR THE YEAR 1998-99: 445.48

(B) 445.48

YEAR 1999-2000

1. Construction and development work at Amar Singh Rathore Ki Chattaries, Nagaur 13.33

2. Refurbishment of Maharani Ki Chattaries, Jaipur 05.37

3. Construction of Toilet facilities at Talab Shahi Badi, Dholpur 01.25

4. Construction of Toilet facilities and water supply at Govt. Museum, Chittorgarh 01.88

5. Refurbishment of Gator-ki-Chattaries 01.97
6. Refurbishment of Hawa Mahal, Jaipur 18.00

7 Conservation of Cenotaphs at Mandore 20.00

8. Refurbishment of Jantar Mantar, Jaipur 13.30

9. Development of Mossi Rani Cenotaph and development of facilities at Sagar,Alwar 13.30
10. Development of Steps at Taragarh, Ajmer 09.33
11. Development of Pilgrim Centre, Salasar, Dham, Distt. Churu 12.79
12. Development of Pilgrim Centre,Shri Digambar Jain, Atishaya 20.70

TOTAL FOR THE YEAR 1999-2000: 131.22

(C) 131.22

TOTAL OF (A)+(B)+(C) 712.03